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Message:

Enclosed is the close out report for Denali Commission Solid Waste Management Grant. The original report with colored pictures were sent by mail last weekend.

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RE: Denali Commission Solid Waste Management Grant Report

This is the close-out report of Solid Waste Management Grant received by Kongiganak Traditional Council through Denali Commission. The burn box was purchased, arrived in the fall of 2009 and was relocated to next to the open dumpsite. Burning within the village was banned after fighting burning grass and ground several times. Now that the burn box is in place, it makes it easier to store and burn without any concern to the environment. The ATV was also received in June of 2009 and is currently used by Solid Waste Collector to haul solid waste to designated dumping area and Hazardous Waste Technician, who collect, store hazardous materials and prepare for back haul. Some of it was used to purchase metal posts with sturdier link fencing to close south end of the dumpsite where most of the litter blows from strong north winds in winter time.

The remaining \$23,000.00 was also used to allowable costs, dumpsite clean-up of blown litter into the tundra, laborers pay for installation of south end fencing and starter money for Solid Waste Collector where it started in May of 2010 with intention of household to start making \$12.50 deposits as a fee by September 30, 2010 to make this program on going after this grant fund amount is expended.

The funding from Denali Commission has resolved our concern trying to purchase another ATV since the GAP ATV getting too old and wear & tear is making it have more broken parts which make it expensive to maintain. Even resubmitting our grant proposal for burn box to different funding source has made it difficult but what an unexpected turn around having to experience, Kongiganak has finally got their burn box. The concern of blown litter has also been taken care of installing fencing and knowing that there will be no more blown litter into the tundra this coming spring. With all these accomplishments, the tribe of Native Village of Kongiganak will benefit from this funding for years to come. And we the tribal members thank you AJ for your technical assistance.

Burn box, Fencing and dumpsite clean-up

